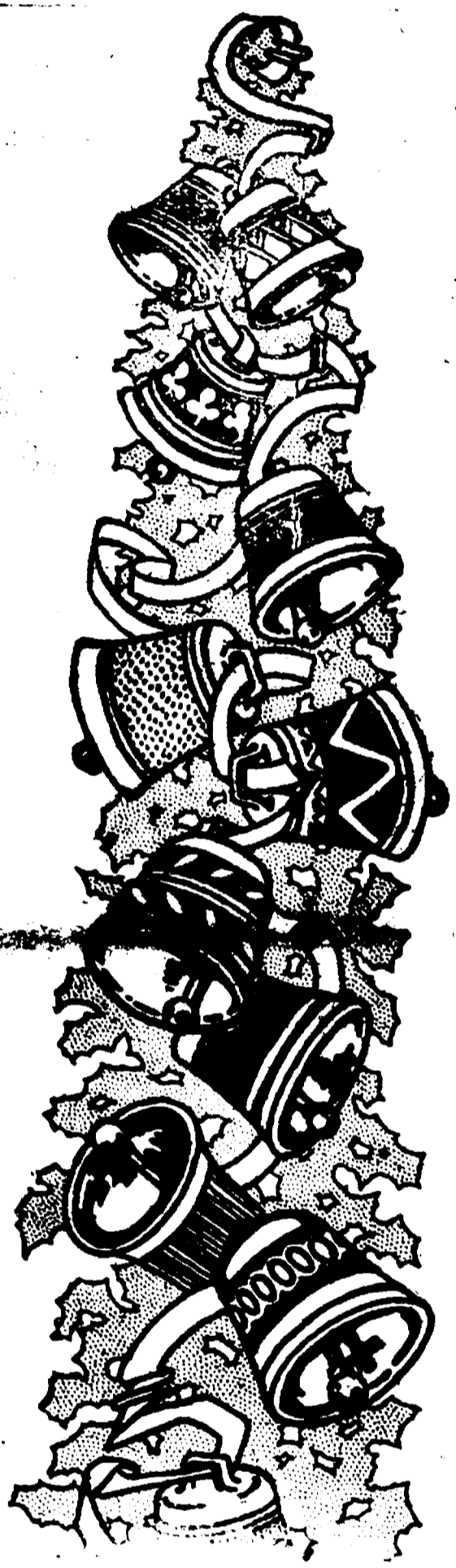
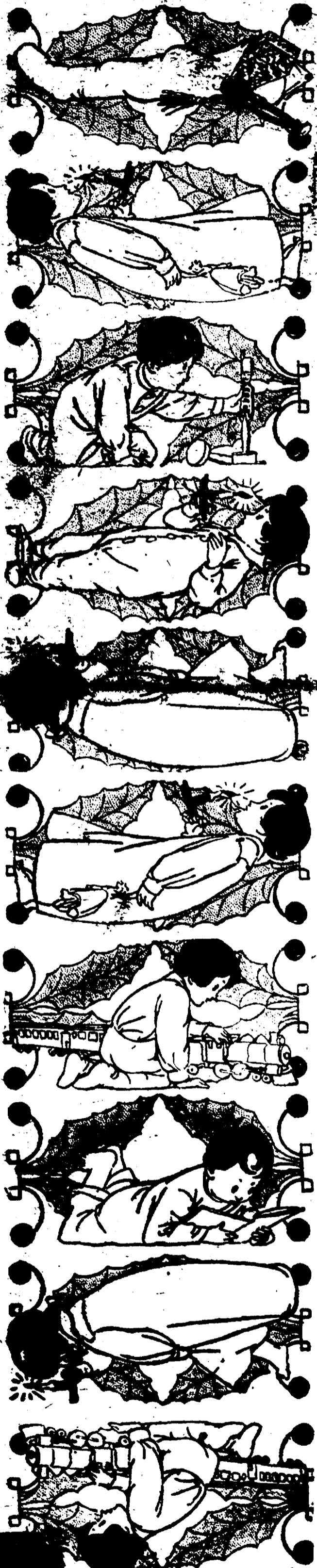
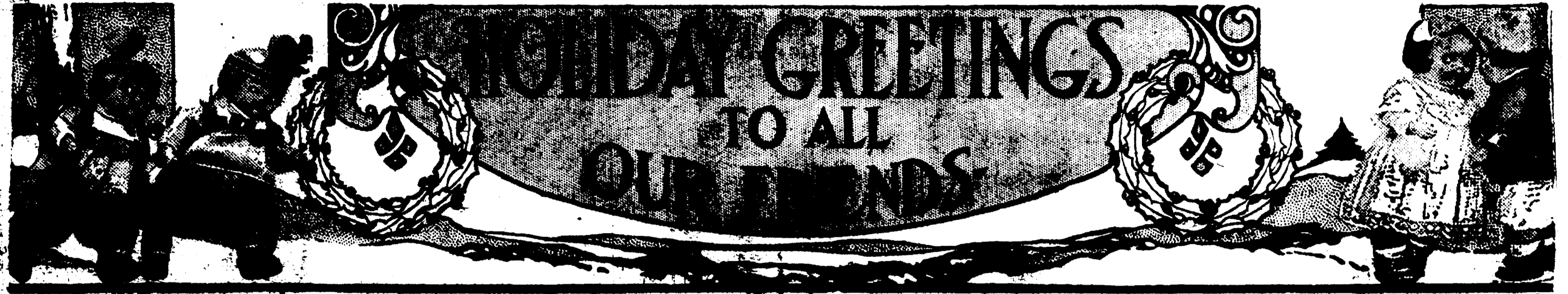


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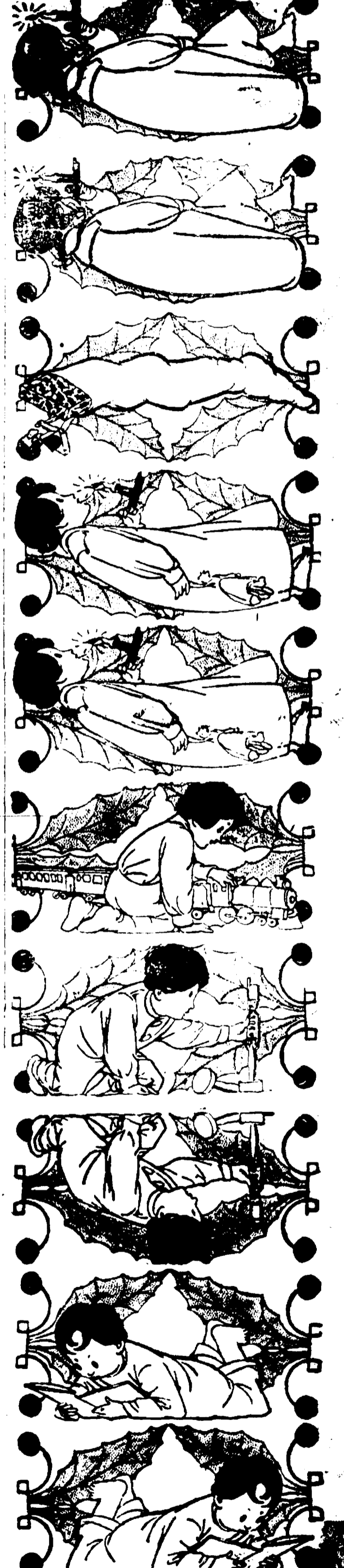
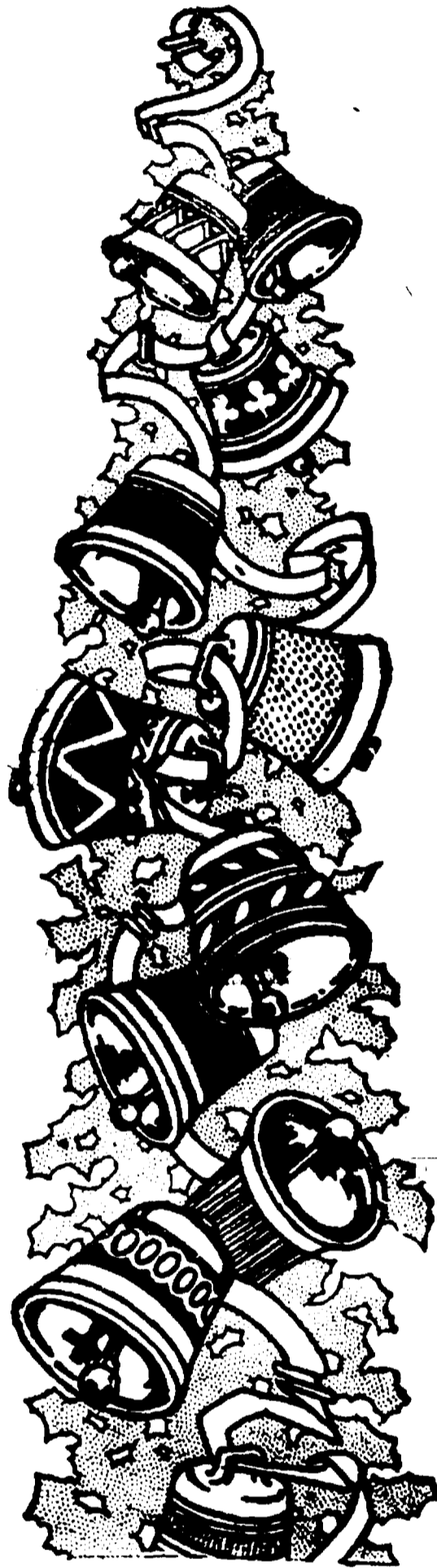
A TINY CHRISTMAS TREE.

One Mother Made Her Little Girl Very Happy With Miniature Plant.

A tiny fir tree, not over two and a half feet high, and of symmetrical shape, was chosen for my little girl's doll's Christmas tree, says a writer in the Woman's Home Companion. This was easily planted in a flowerpot and established upon a large table in the living room. Tiny candles were fastened upon the branches, a ten cent bunch of tinsel was sufficient for draping and a further outlay for the small colored glass ornaments added to the gorgeousness.

The main idea is to keep everything on a miniature scale while duplicating for the beloved doll children the gifts that usually fall to the small mother. So it was that tiny dolls were dressed; tiny fancy boxes were filled with tiny candles, others contained wee handkerchiefs embroidered with smallest of initials; here hung a hand mirror, there a nursing bottle, tiny fans, a lovely set of cups for tea, a rattle, a small bird in a gilt cage, a new pet kitty, and so on. Ten cent stores yielded most of the treasures.

On the morning of Christmas my eight-year-old was shown her old dolls, each radiantly dressed, and was told that their tree was ready below stairs. The joy and delight at the sight were charming and the blissful apportionment of gifts began. As each arriving playmate rolled in her new dolly "to show what I've got," envy and pride reflected upon the faces of the visitor and visited, only to be dispelled by "there is something on the tree for your dolly."



Christmas Suggestions

are found on

All Pages of the

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PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Mrs. Nettie Vaughn was in Jackson last week Thursday.

Mrs. Hattie Decker was in Howell Friday.

Mrs. J. Parker was in Jackson Saturday.

Mrs. E. H. Fox visited relatives in Howell the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Swarhout spent the week end in Brighton

Chas. VanKeuren of Lansing spent Sunday at G. W. Teeple.

Fred Read of Detroit spent Sunday with his parents here.

Dr. Geo. Person and wife were in Ann Arbor Thursday.

Alice, Kathleen, Madeline and Reita Roche spent Saturday in Jackson.

Miss Gladys Parson of Howell was an over Sunday guest at the home of R. R. Darwin.

L. E. Smith was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Placeway Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Sherman of Mayville spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. R. Culhane

W. H. Bland and F. N. Burgess wife and daughter Florence transacted business in Chelsea Saturday.

The pastors class of the Cong'l church Sunday school will sell baked goods at Murphy and Jackson store Saturday.

This is a splendid time of the year to square up that subscription account. Start in the new year with a clear slate.

Mrs. W. G. Stevens of Stockbridge is visiting at the home of her daughter Mrs. Floyd Jackson the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ayers of Detroit visited the latter's mother Mrs. Sarah Nash Sunday who returned with them for an extended visit.

The Gleaners of the Pinckney Arbor, will hold a meeting at the home of Robt. Tiplady, Saturday evening, Dec. 18, for election of officers. All members are requested to be present.

Thursday afternoon Mrs. G. W. Teeple gave an "at Home" for her daughter, Miss Mae Teeple a bride of this month. Miss Florence Kice and Mrs. Fred Swarhout gave vocal numbers. Miss Blanche Martin gave a piano solo. Miss Kate Brown assisted in the parlors. Mrs. Floyd Jackson and Mrs. Don Fieldler of Toledo, Ohio presided at the tables in the dining-room while Mrs. Charles VanKeuren of Lansing and Miss Cordelia Dinkel served. About fifty guests called during the receiving hours from three to five o'clock.

James Smith spent Saturday in Jackson.

Loyd Liverance of Fowlerville was in town Monday.

Mrs. Roy Darwin spent Friday in Howell.

H. M. Burt of Jackson was in town Tuesday.

Get Murphy & Jackson low prices on Potatoes Saturday.

A watch is like a faithful friend and you will find a good assortment at W. A. Havens.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Dunning and Mrs. Will Dunning were in Howell last Thursday.

Mrs. Anna Francis has been visiting relatives in Ann Arbor the first of the week.

Wales Leland and family and Harry Isham, wife and granddaughter Maude were Jackson visitors Saturday.

Regular Communication Livingston Lodge F. A. A. M., Tuesday evening, Dec. 21. Election of officers. Banquet at close. Lodge opens at 7 sharp.

Secretary. "Tony the Convict," a drama in five acts, will be presented at the Pinckney Opera House, Thursday evening, Dec. 30. See large adv.

Miss Lizzie Travise formerly of Pettysville, who went to Florida for the winter died at that place Saturday and the remains were brought here last night. Interment to take place today at North Hamburg Cemetery.

The Plus Ultra class of the Cong'l Sunday school was very pleasantly entertained at the home of Miss Cordelia Dinkel last Friday evening, about 35 being present. Music and games being the order of the evening.

While attending the burial of D. M. Monks Mrs. M. Monks slipped and fell dislocating her shoulder. It was not known at the time that any serious injuries were received, but after arriving home, Dr. Sigler was called and the dislocated joint put in place.

A belt drive has been installed at the lighting plant in place of the old gear drive. Some difficulty has been experienced in keeping the belt from slipping, causing the lights to go out unceremoniously during the last few evenings.

Among those from out of town who were here to attend the funeral of Mack Monks, are Mrs. Frank Madkin, Detroit; Marse Hackett, Detroit; Mrs. Dan Ouillette, Amherstburg Canada; Dr. Will Monks, Howell; Dr. Gardner, Alma; Glenn Gardner and wife, Stockbridge; Lena Monks, Lansing; John Monks, Lowell; Fr. Hanker, Detroit and Fr. O'Brien of Bunkerhill.

Among those from out of town who were here to attend the funeral of Hollis Shehan were Mr. and Mrs. J. Shehan of Jackson, Malachy Roche and wife of Fowlerville, Mr. and Mrs. Ed O'Brien of Detroit, Roche McClear and Leon Ledwidge of Ypsilanti, Geo. Mitchell of Dansville, Mr. and Mrs. McQuillan of Chelsea, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hawcroft of Owosso, Mr. and Mr. Walter Arnold, Mrs. John Currey and Mrs. Blakely all of Dansville, and Mrs. Frank Glennon of South Lyons.

A WASTED LIFE.

In every conceivable set of circumstances on earth a beautiful life can be lived. Epictetus was a crippled slave, yet so noble was his soul that he had an emperor as his disciple. Circumstances do not produce a wasted life. The wasting must be done by the man himself. "No life is wasted," said Huxley, "unless it ends in sloth, dishonesty, or cowardice."

The Pinckney Exchange Bank

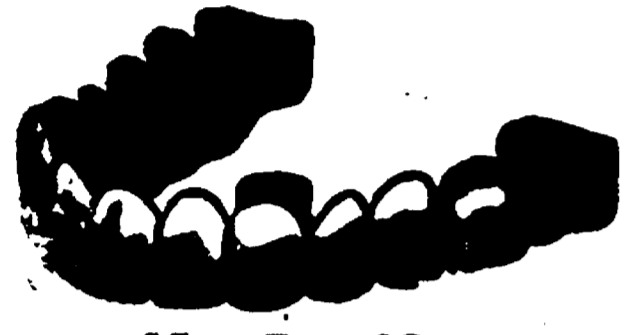
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3 per cent paid on all Time Deposits

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G. W. TEEPLE Prop

For Painless Dentistry, See



Dr. W. T. Wright
 In The Dolan Block
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For Christmas-Your Photograph

It carries the personal thought of the giver, is simple, appropriate and creates no greater obligation than the kindly thought it bears.

Come early.

Daisie B. Chapell
 Stockbridge, Michigan

Grand Trunk Time Table

For the convenience of our readers

Trains East No. 46-8:34 a. m. No. 47-9:52 a. m.
 Trains West No. 48-4:44 p. m. No. 47-7:27 p. m.

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The Great Christmas Store Where you can find Everything you can think of for Boys and Girls.

In our center room--Children's FUR SETS, nice warm PLUSH COATS.

Silk and Crepe Kimonos and waists of all descriptions.

Women's and Children's Shoes, Slippers, warm Rubbers and Overshoes.

In our west room--Beautiful Table Linens, Fancy Towels and nice warm Blankets, Hosiery, Gloves, warm Underwear, Fancy Caps, Scarfs, Knitted Slippers and beautiful Handkerchiefs. All kinds of Ribbons, Jewellery and Ivory Sets.

In our Men's Department we have Men's Slippers, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Ties, Umbrellass, Shirts and Uuderwear. All kinds of Leather and Yarn Mittens.

Take the Elevator to the Second Floor where You will Find All Kinds of

Toys for the Boys, Girls and Babies

The largest and best assortment of Dolls and Doll outfits in Southern Michigan] Boy's Games of all kinds and description. Babie's soft yarn Dolls and balls and little Wagons, little Chairs, Rocking Horses, Little Chairs, Rocking Horses, Doll Dishes and any other toy you may have in your mind.

Books, Pictures, stationery, Xmas Cards, fancy seals, fancy Paper and Red Cross Stamps.

All Kinds of Furniture

ON THIRD FLOOR

Cedar Chests, fancy Reading Lamps, Tea Wagons, Smoking Stands, Writing Desks, Suit Cases and Traveling Bags.

If you do not see in this list what you have in mind come in and ask for it. You will surely find it here.

SHOES FOR EVERYBODY

We have just received the Largest shipment of shoes that was ever brought to Pinckney at one time.

If you need a pair of shoes we will save you money if you will let us, on them. We can't tell you all about them in this adv. but we want you to come in and see them. We have them in various kinds.

We have got our store jamed full of new goods and you can find that Christmas present that you want to buy at our store.

We are paying 26c for 1st class butter and 31c a dozen for eggs. Remember that our Grocery stock is new and fresh and we will not be undersold by Sears & Roebuck, quality considered. We certainly appreciate the Patronage you have given us and it shall be our constant aim to merit a goodly share of the Patronage of the people of Pinckney and surrounding country and if it is good goods, low prices, and courteous treatment will get it, we are going to have it.

GUTHRIE'S

Profit Sharing and Cash Store

Holiday Message

WE WISH EVERYBODY

Merry Christmas

We handle the goods to help make it so. Come and see. It's worth a long drive to look over our splendid assortment.

Popular Priced Merchandise.

Suitable For Gifts

We show you a City Assortment at fair prices. Our numerous offerings are too many to specify in a small ad. But here you will find:—

Toys, China, Post-Cards, Games, Books, Candies, 5c and 10c Goods and Other Departments

C. S. LINE

THE HOME GOODS BAZAAR

Opposite Courthouse HOWELL, MICH.

Dixie's Noisy Christmas.

In lower latitudes, where the weather bureau makes even no pretense at supplying snow, says the New York Sun, the celebration of Christmas takes on a different manifestation. South of Washington Christmas has always been the day of great noise, the day set apart for the clangor of bells, the shrilling of trumpets, above all else the firecracker.

In the social conditions of the south before the revolution the day of noise and crash of gunpowder was the 5th of November, on which day all loyal subjects were adjured to "remember, remember the gunpowder treason and plot." The celebration of this noisy execration of Guy Fawkes by the loyal cavalier families of the south established a winter holiday of which noise was the predominant characteristic. After the southern colonies had joined equal hands with the northern in the long war, gunpowder treason was no longer the theme for celebration. But some celebration there must be to provide for the noise which had become a habit in the early winter. In the earlier times Christmas had been a day of sobriety out of doors, of lavish hospitality within.

What more natural, then, than to postpone the racket of gunpowder day until the next holiday in course and to give Christmas an outdoor element which it had never possessed?

Different Sorts of Christmas.

Each stage in our progress from the cradle to the grave has its different Christmas. Old age forgets itself, the ghosts which haunt its memories, and enters into the young creature's happiness with a relish second only to the child's. The grandmother no longer wishes sleds or hoops or gingerbread monkeys for herself, but she looks with love and wonder upon the little beings who respond so radiantly to these objects of domestic manufacture. Between these generations stand the parents, with their own lives of bustle and responsibility and desire, their own games and gewgaws to pursue, but yet with a beginning of the change from living for themselves to living in their young.—Norman Hapgood in Collier's.

Two Yuletide Sentiments

Your kindness to a poor old lonely widow, or to a child without any one left to love him, your posy of flowers taken with your love to some one who is ill, your letter of kindly thought to parents who have just lost their darling daughter, your words of cheerful greeting to a tired serving maid, your honest hearted attempt to make things easier for mother at home—Christ said he would reckon these as gifts to himself.—Rev. Bernard J. Snell.

Christmas again, with its peace and good will and wonder! How our friends multiply and increase in value as the day of days draws near! How the touch of human hands thrills us and the look in human eyes! To our surprise we are not ashamed to be good, to be kind, to be loving. For this little space out of the long, selfish year we are glad to be ourselves. We give freely of our love; we offer our labor without price, and we speak kindly words that are rarer far than rubies. Once more we take courage and let our hearts have their way, and life laughs and is glad. When Christmas comes the world suddenly grows better, sin less lovely and heaven nearer—and all because a little boy was born in Bethlehem. Perhaps—who knows—we might carry with us throughout the year the joy of this Christmas living.—Edwin Osgood Grover



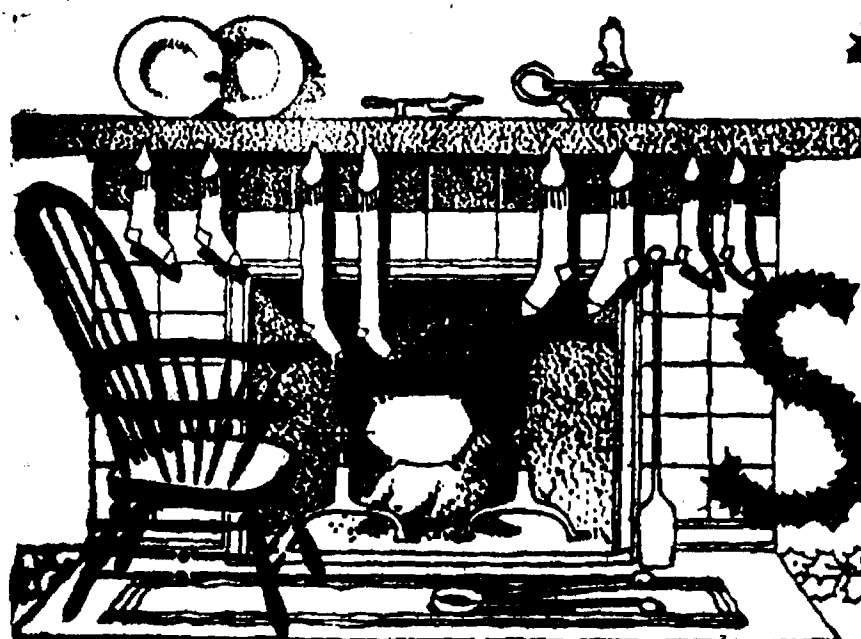
You May Talk to One Man

But an advertisement in this paper talks to the whole community. **Catch the Idea?**

He Removed the Danger Signal

"I suffered a long time with a very weak back," writes Fred Smith, 325 Main St., Green Bay, Wis. "A few boxes of Foley Kidney Pills completely relieved me of all soreness and pain in the back, and now I am as strong and well as ever." One cannot help becoming nervous and feeling tired and worn out when the kidneys fail to filter and throw out of the system the poisonous waste matter that causes kidney troubles and bladder ailments. Backache is one of Nature's danger signals that the kidneys are closing up and inactive. It is often followed by rheumatism, annoying bladder and urinary disorders, puffy swellings under the eyes, swollen ankles and painful joints. Foley Kidney Pills get right at the source of trouble. They invigorate the kidneys to healthy action and when the kidneys properly perform their functions the poisonous waste matter is eliminated from the system.

"For Sale Everywhere"



YULETIDE SUGGESTIONS



WHETHER you spend little or much for Christmas, it is important that your gifts should have lasting value, Christmas prices are lower than at other seasons here because our larger purchases give us bigger discounts. The quality of everything in this store makes it a worthy gift, whether the price you pay is large or small. The entire range of your family needs are covered by the articles you find here, whether they be large needs or small. **HERE ARE A FEW SUGGESTIONS:**

For Mother or Wife

- Bed Room Chair
- Jardinere Stand
- China Closet
- Rocker
- Magazine Stand
- Hoosier Cabinets
- Davenport
- Cut Glass Bowl
- Fancy Cake Plate
- Carpet Sweeper
- Fancy Cup and Saucer
- Set of Nice Dishes.

For Brother Jack

- Chiffonier
- Morris Chair
- Arm Chair
- Card Table
- Leather Rocker
- High Back Rocker

For the Best Girl In the World

- Divan
- Music Cabinet
- Work Table
- Sewing Rocker
- Dresser
- Pedestal
- Book Case
- Parlor Table
- Chocolate Set
- Nice Mirror
- Hat Pin Holder
- Nice Cracker Jar
- Nice Water Set

For Grandfather

- Comfortable Arm Chair
- High Back Rocker
- Genuine Leather Chair
- Foot Stool

For Sister

- Pretty Chair for her Room
- Slippet Chair
- Dressing Chair
- Music Cabinet
- Writing Desk
- Arm Chair
- Book Case
- Nice Spoon Tray
- Nice Brush and Comb Tray
- Nice Berry Set
- Nice Sugar and Cream Set

For Grandmother

- Jardinier Stand
- Sewing Rocker
- Morris Chair
- Magazine Stand
- Arm Chair
- Nice Reading Lamp
- Nice Sugar and Milk Set

For Father or Husband

- Morris Chair
- Leather Rocker
- An Easy Chair
- Couch
- Card Table
- Foot Stool
- Book Case
- Wardrobe

Be sure and visit our China Department; we are positive that you will find just what you want and prices are right. Everything in China, Open Stock, Dinnerware, Etc.

We pay the freight on all Furniture and Crockery to be delivered at Pinckney or Gregory.

GLEN. H. BEURMAN, Howell, Michigan.
The Quality Furniture Store

'TONY THE CONVICT'

A Drama in Five Acts

Will be presented under the auspices of the Seniors of the Pinckney High School

Thurs. Eve, Dec 30, '15

At the
Pinckney Opera House

Cast of Characters

Tony Warren	Lester Swarthout
A many sided character, who has an honest heart beneath his rugged coat.	
Weary Wayside	Percy Mowers
His Henchman—"too tired to work"	
Jas. Barclay	Hollis Sigler
Hard-hearted and vindictive.	
Philip Warburton	Robt. Guthrie
A Social Leader	
Judge Van Cruger	Herman Vedder
of the Supreme Court	
Warden Burrows	Harold Guthrie
of Sing Sing Prison	
Jackson	Clyde Sibley
the negro footman	
Lena	Arla Gardner
the reputed daughter of Judge Van Cruger	
Mrs. Van Cruger	Florence Byers
the Judge's wife	
Miss Sedley	Florence Tupper
Who takes pleasure in being disagreeable	
Sally	Lanra Burgess
With a soul above hash	

Dance Will Follow the Play

Baby's Skin Troubles

Pimples—Eruptions—Eczema quick yield to the soothing and healing qualities of Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. No matter where located, how bad or long standing, Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment will remove every trace of the ailment. It will restore the skin to its natural softness and parity. Don't let your child suffer—don't be embarrassed by having your child's face disfigured with blemishes or ugly scars. Use Dr. Hobson's Eczema Ointment. Its guaranteed. No cure no pay. 50c. at your Druggist.

CHRISTMAS CRACKERS.

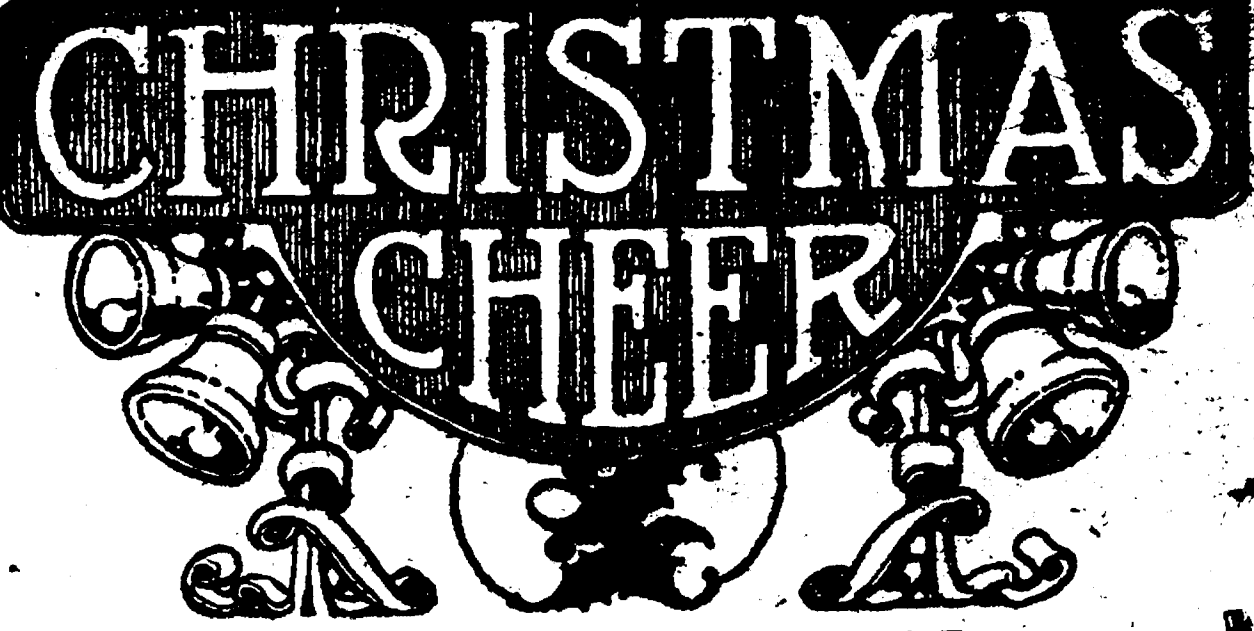
Do "plants" for making pretty gifts grow up to Christmas-trees? And are "the sea-sons' greetings" sent by salt sons of the seas? Are Yule logs cut from snow drift-wood by Yuletide washed ashore? And would you stub a mistletoe against a parlor door? If Eve had tried from holly twigs a party gown to weave Do you suppose that Adam would have called her "Christmas Eve"? St. Nicholas in autos-high defies police and laws. Do regulations as to speed contain a Santa clause? —Lippincott's Magazine.

The Question.

Stella—You have two proposals? Bella—Yes. I can't decide which to marry first.—New York Sun.

For Rheumatism

As soon as an attack of Rheumatism begins apply Sloan's Liniment. Don't waste time and suffer unnecessary agony. A few drops of Sloan's Liniment on the affected parts is all you need. The pain goes at once. A grateful sufferer writes:—"I was suffering for three weeks with Chronic Rheumatism and Stiff Neck, although I tried many medicines, they failed. Fortunately I heard of Sloan's Liniment and after using it three or four days am up and well. I am employed at the biggest department store in S. F. where they employ from six to eight hundred hands, and they surely will hear all about Sloan's Liniment.—H. B. Smith, San Francisco, Cal.—Jan. 1915. 25c. at all Druggists.



Shopping Before the Rush

A large number of our patrons in and out of town have already commenced their gift buying for Christmas. There are people who profess a dislike for choosing gifts, but have you noticed that they are never those who begin "before the rush"?

Leisurely Shopping means enjoyment, not worry.

For a friend there is scarcely a treasure more lovely than a LaValiere. And when you consider that our range of prices enables you to regulate what you are to pay. You can afford agift that is worth of becoming her cherished possession.

W. A. HAVENS, Jeweler

One Price to All

Pinckney, Mich

If in need of Fall and Winter Goods call and see us—Wood and Coal stoves, Furnaces, Street and Stable Blankets Auto Robes, Axes, Saws, Etc.

New Goods in Furniture at prices that will compare with goods sold elsewhere.

Heating Stoves In All Sizes at REASONABLE PRICES

DINKEL & DUNBAR

Try a Liner Adv. in the Dispatch

Wm. McPherson & Sons,

Howell, Mich.

THE PEOPLE'S CHRISTMAS STORE

The Greatest of all Christmas Sales
Commencing Dec. 16th and ending Dec. 24th, 1915

We are about to close one of the best business years we have ever had. In order to show our appreciation for the liberal patronage you have given us we are going to "cut a melon" and share it with you as a Christmas Gift. The saving will be one-fourth to one-third. Stop and think what this means to you coming at this time when you want your Dollar to do double duty. If you do not attend this sale you will be the loser, as there has never been a sale at this time of the year when you could buy goods at such amazingly low prices—and all first class merchandise. Extra help to see that you are waited upon properly. Nothing sent on approval or exchanged.

Note the Savings on Dress Goods XMAS SALE PRICES

50c 36-inch Fancy Plaid Dress Goods	33 1/2c
\$1.19 52-inch blue and brown check	86 1/2c
1.50 36-inch Plaid Dress Goods	\$1.00
1.35 58-inch Grey and Lavender Plaid	.98
2.50 56-inch Fancy Mixed Wool Coating	1.98
3.00 56-inch French Blue Military coating	2.49
1.50 56-inch Tan Twilled Coating	1.00
1.00 44-inch Diagonal Wool Dress Goods	.69
.58 36-inch Wool Crepe, Blue, Copenhagen and brown	.37 1/2

Carpet Department-2nd Floor

Run your eye down the outside figures, and then take a peep across on the other side, and note the saving.

25.00 Brussels Rugs 8 ft. 3 x 10 ft 6	11.98
25.50 Brussels Rugs 9 ft. x 12 ft.	13.19
35.50 Body Brussels Rugs 11 ft. 3 x 12 ft.	34.98
25.00 Brussels Rug 10 ft 6 x 13 ft 6	19.98
35.00 Wilton Velvet 0x12	24.98

15c Bleached 36-inch Outing Flannel	11 1/2c
10c Twilled 27-inch Outing Flannel	7 1/2c
\$1.50 Bleached All-Linen Table Cloth	1.29
1.25 Bleached All-Linen Table Cloth	.97
3.75 White Bed Blankets	2.98
35c Men's Army Wool Socks	.25
85c Grey Blankets	.69
7 bars good Laundry Soap	.25
25c Highland Brand Coffee	.21
25c Fleece Lined Women's Pants	.15
42 1/2c Bath Robe Cloth	37 1/2c
15c Turkish Bath Towels	12 1/2c
12 boxes Parlor Matches	.10
1.00 Women's Percale House Dresses	.85
25c fancy figured Scrim	.15
3.00 Men's Maroon Sweaters	1.08
1.50 Boy's Dolls they almost talk	1.00
1.00 "The Irish Maid Kid" Toy	.87
50c Ten Pins, the parlor game	.39
85c Ring Toss	.19
24c Christmas Candies, box	.10
1.98 Ladie's Feather Neck piece	1.49
2.50 Ladie's Feather Neck piece	1.98
3.50 Ladie's Extra Nice Neck piece	2.98
1.25 The Latest in Face Veils	.98
15c Hamburg Embroidery Edge	.09

Closing out our Entire Line of Women's Misses' and Children's Ready-to-Wear

2nd FLOOR

Do not miss this opportunity to save on Coats, Suits, Dresses and Furs.

Misses' Coats, value up to \$7.95, choice	49.98
Misses' Coats, value up to \$10.00, choice	5.00
Misses' Coats, value up to \$12.00, choice	7.50
\$15 Ladies' Cloth Coats	12.98
18.50 Ladies' Cloth Coats	14.98
19.50 Ladies' Cloth Coats	15.98
25.00 Ladies' Cloth Coats	18.98
A liberal Discount on all Fur and Corduroy Coats, Women's Suits, Dresses, Ladies' and Children's Furs.	

In the Men's Clothing Department the prices are so low now you can hardly see them.

15.00 Men's Suits	9.98
15.00 Men's Suits	11.98
15.00 Men's Suits	13.98

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HOLLIS SHEHAN

Young Life Ended after Short Illness

Hollis Shehan aged 17, who has been critically ill for the past two weeks, died Sunday morning at two o'clock. Hollis was a young man of sterling character, always to be depended upon in any spot or place, and a faithful member of St. Mary's church. He leaves to mourn his loss a mother, father and two brothers, besides a host of relatives and friends. The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the bereaved family.

The funeral was held at the St. Mary's church, Tuesday morning, Dec. 14, Rev. Fr. Coyle officiating. Telescoping of the bowles was said to be the cause of his death. Obituary next week.

West Marion

There will be an apron sale and fish pond social at the home of C. B. Kings Friday evening.

Mrs. H. J. White is on the sick list.

Mrs. Philip Smith called at Will Blands Sunday.

Several in this school are having the whooping cough.

Ruth and Retta Collins were in Howell one day last week.

The Live Wire will give a Christmas pageant Friday evening, December 24. Everybody invited.

Don't forget that P. H. S. rings can be bought at W. A. Havens

Christmrs Program of District No. 2

The pupils of school district 2, Genoa, will give following Xmas program at their school Friday, Dec. 24, at 2 p. m. All Pinckneyites are cordially invited.

PROGRAM

Vocal solo..... Irene Smith
 Recitation, who Santa wuz..... Earl Devin
 Recitation, If you don't believe in Sant..... Steve Itsell
 Recitation, the American stocking..... Marjorie Lawson
 Recitation, what would you say Ford Hallar.
 Duet, December..... Dorris Worthington and Lula Smith.
 Recitation, Kris Kringle..... Harold Lawson
 Recitation, the finest tree Ruth Wenderlein.
 Recitation, two fir trees..... Ruth Conner.
 Christmas Acrostic..... By five boys and four girls.
 Recitation, Santa Clause Land Ruth Lawson
 Recitation, Bethlehem Babe..... Doris Worthington
 Recitation, while Shepherds watch..... Irene Smith
 Recitation, the two stockings..... Spencer Worthington
 Play, trials of Christmas shopping..... by three girls and one boy
 Recitation, Christmas coming..... Luis Smith
 Recitation, while shepherds watch..... Helen Wenderlein
 Recitation, what do I want for Christmas..... Ralph Haller
 Remarks by commissioner H. G. Aldrich.
 Christmas exercise, by two girls and three boys and santa Christmas tree.
 Mary Conner, teacher

D. M. Monks

Lifelong Resident of Pinckney passes away Sunday morning

The friends and relatives of D. M. Monks, living one and one-half mile west of town, were very much shocked Sunday morning to hear of his sudden death. He had been in good health up to the last few days and had been obliged to call the doctor the day before but did not think that he was seriously ill. Neuralgia of the heart was the cause of his death. Mr. Monks was a lifelong resident of Pinckney, having spent 70 years in this locality and was well known and liked by all. He leaves a wife, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his loss. The funeral was held this morning at 9:30 at the St. Mary's church, Rev. Fr. Coyle officiating. Obituary next week.

Tax Notice

The Tax Roll is now in my hands ready for collection, and will receive taxes at my shop any week day.

Irvin J. Kennedy,
 Township Treas.

Many People Don't Know
 A sluggish liver can cause a person an awful lot of misery. Spells of dizziness, headaches, constipation and biliousness are sure signs that your liver needs help. Take Dr. King's New Life Pills and see how they help tone up the whole system. Fine for the stomach too. Aids digestion. Purifies the blood and clears the complexion. Only 25c. at your Drugists.

Christmas Song Service at Cong'l Church Dec. 19

PROGRAM

Hark the herald angels sing..... choir
 Invocation..... Rev. Jones
 Contralto solo (messiah)..... Miss Kice
 Soprano solo (messiah)..... Mrs. Swarhout
 Halleluiah Chorus (messiah)..... choir, orchestra accomp.
 Collection
 Christmas Chimes..... Quartet,
 Joy to the world.
 Remarks..... Rev. Jones
 Star of the East..... Duett
 Christ the Lord is born..... choir, orchestra accomp.
 Silent night..... Trio
 A song in the night..... Choir
 Benediction

Two Chelsea young men plead guilty the other day in justice court to illegal fishing through the ice at Four Mile lake and were fined \$5 each and costs. The law provides that each fisherman may not use more than five lines and the Chelsea lads had 15 lines out.

The charge against them was preferred by Deputy Game warden Cobb. Mr. Cobb also had a young man from Dexter township arrested for hunting and trapping without a licence and he was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10.00 and cost.—Chelsea Standard.

Noted by Marriage.

"Ah remembahs de time when Ezekiah Jinks went an' married his dead wife's sister," said Rastus Johnson, "an' when Ah axes him for who he is in mournin' he up an' says, 'Mah sister-in-law.'"—Philadelphia Ledger.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Items of Interest from Neighboring Towns

Saturday we are told the Spencer-Smith Factory turned out 1050 pistons and that hereafter they expect to average about 1000 a day. In fact their contracts we understand call for that number daily. That certainly is making things move and is a good thing for the city as well as for the company.—Liviegston Republican.

Section Foreman L. Sèger, of Brighton on the Detroit Canadian Division, having the section extending from Island Lake to Howell, received the award for the highest average among all the sections of the P. M. Ry system of 2.255 miles, and was the recipient of the \$25 offered as a prize.—South Lyon Herald.

The brick work on A. G. Faist's new garage is now nearly completed and the steel workers, who will erect the structural steel for the roof, have arrived and have begun their work. The roof proper will be a three inch coat of concrete supported on a steel frame work.—Chelsea Tribune.

H. J. Kiepert, who has been in the creamery business here the past five years, has sold out to James Dezwarte of Garden, Mich. who took immediate possession. Mr. Dezwarte comes highly recommended as a butter and cheese maker. Mr. Kiepert retains his house and lot in this village.—Stockbridge Brief-Sun.

The Gift Shop

We Invite Your Inspection of our Holiday Line

Which is on Display, resting assured that you will find here just what you want to solve your "what to buy" problems. While we do not carry the line of our big city brothers, you will find a splendid little assortment, and the quality is the best obtainable. Whether your pockets are lined with gold or not you will find acceptable gifts at prices to suit you. Below you will find a few of the many gifts listed, however it will pay you to call as our space is too small to list all.

Stationery

A box of stationery is always acceptable and we have the celebrated, Eaton, Crane and Pike, line from which to choose. Boxes 25c to \$1.00

Parisian Ivory

Practically everything we could think of in the novelties, also in the staple line you will find on our Ivory counter. Prices 10c to \$6.

"Just the thing!" SCHRAFFT'S CHOCOLATES



To add the finishing touch to your Xmas gift include a box of Schrafft's. All fresh stock. Prices 25c to \$5.00

Toilet Sets

We have a nice line of toilet sets of all kinds both for ladies and gentlemen. Price \$1.00 to \$6.50.

Smokers Articles

A varied line including tobacco in fancy jars, cigars, in Xmas packages, ash trays, smokers set and stands, pipes and pipe racks etc.

Perfumes

Every good judge of perfume will give Dabrook's perfume. Every odor is true to its name and has all the lasting qualities of the best perfume at American prices. Bottles 10c to \$1.00

Metal Framed Pictures

A picture makes a very neat and inexpensive gift. We have a very nice line and reasonable in price. 10c to \$1

China and Cut Glass

Nothing nicer than cut glass or china as a Xmas gift. The line embraces compotes, nappies, cream and sugar sets, chocolate sets, olive trays and set etc. 25c to \$5.00.

Books

Popular copyrights, girls books, boys books, fancy books, books for children in fact all kinds of books. NOTE:—Any orders for books not in stock can be filled within 5 days before Xmas.

A. M. Davis Line of Quality Cards For Sale Here Best Line Penny Post Cards in Town

10 to 15c.

G. O. MEYER

Schrafft's Quality Candy

Pinckney, Mich.

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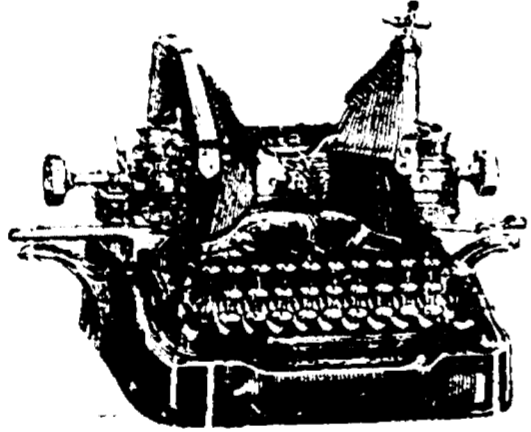
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Howell, Mich.

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BUY IT NOW!



The new-day advances that come alone on this machine are all controlled by Oliver. Even our own previous models—famous in their day—never had the Optional Duplex Shift. It puts the whole control of 84 letters and characters in the little fingers of the right and left hands. And it lets you write them all with only 28 keys, the least to operate of any standard typewriter made.

Thus operators of all other machines can immediately run the Oliver No. "9" with more speed and greater ease.

Yes the crowning typewriter triumph IS HERE!

It is just out—and comes years before expert expected it. For makers have striven a life-time to attain this ideal machine. And Oliver has won again, as we scored when we gave the world its first visible writing.

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CAUTION!

17c a Day! Remember this brand-new Oliver "9" is the greatest value ever given in a typewriter. It has all our previous special inventions—visible writing, automatic spacer, 6½-ounce touch—plus the Optional Duplex Shift, Secor's Color Attachments and all these other new-day features.

Yet we have decided to sell it to everyone everywhere on our famous payment plan—17 cents a day. Now every writer can easily afford to have the world's crack visible writer with the famous PRINTYPE, that writes like print included FREE if desired.

To-Day write for full Details, and be among the first to know about this marvel of writing machines. See why typists, employers, and individuals everywhere are flocking to the Oliver. Just mail a postal at once. No obligation. It's a pleasure for us to tell you about it. Seeing is believing—Drop in at the DISPATCH OFFICE and see for yourself this New Model Oliver "9."

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CHRISTMAS DUSK.

Come, little boy, to mother's knee,
The Christmas twilight trembles down
With rose tints for the wondrous tree,
And rose glow for the snow clad town,
And all is marvellous—but you
Most marvellous of all to me,
For I may hold you as I do,
As Mary held him on her knee.

And he was sweet—and he was fair,
As are all mothers' little boys;
His lips, his smile, his eyes, his hair,
To Mary were her chiefest joys,
And she would sing to him as I
Sing while the sun dies in the west;
I hear your weary, sleepy sigh
As Mary heard his on her breast.

And in the after years, I think,
When he was treading sorrow's way
And held the bitter cup to drink
She brooded on the happy day
When he ran singing through the room
And found a hundred things to do
To drive away all chance of gloom—
And was a little boy like you.

So drop your toys and let us sing
The songs that heart and home have
Best.

For love is more than anything
And life is work and play and rest,
And Mary's was the mother heart,
A heart of love all fair and fine,
That into tender throbs could start
For just a little boy like mine.

Across the years I reach to her
And touch her white and empty hands,
Down all the ages seems to stir
A message that she understands;
The subtle rapture that I keep
Shrined in the very soul of me,
When I may hold you here, asleep,
As Mary held him on her knee.
—Wilbur D. Nesbit in Harper's Weekly.

It was in New York, or rather, New Amsterdam, that Santa Claus made his first American appearance in something like the garb and manner now familiar to all of us. From the Netherlands the Knickerbockers brought with them the Christmas of love and sympathy in religion, of comradeship among neighbors and of festivity in the family.

Before the birth of Christ the ancient Romans indulged at the midwinter season in a festival from which it is supposed that many of the present day traditions sprang. Presents were given and received. An expression of mutual brotherhood was shown in the custom of the masters and their slaves exchanging places and the former waiting upon the latter.

Appropriate Christmas Favors.
No matter what the weather may be, the Christmas favors should carry out the idea of snow and cold weather. One of the daintiest favors for the Christmas dinner table is the snowball made of glistening white and surmounted by a sprig of holly. When these are augmented by the huge ball for the center, which is also made of paper and has a rich red ribbon draped across it and is trimmed with holly, the whole Christmas atmosphere is complete. Another appropriate placement is the funny snow man with his black stovepipe hat and beady eyes. He, too, can be made in a large size and used for the center piece. Then there are green baskets with holly perched jauntily on the handle, poinsettias and Santa Clauses. There is no lack of ingenuity in gay holiday favors.

True Giving

Season your love gifts with judgment. The palus you take to divine the taste and desire of the dear one whose happiness you would enhance at this holy season are worth far more than the gift itself. These money cannot buy.

May I add to this friendly admonition an injunction to give to those from whom you do not hope to receive again? The founder of our faith cited as one test of his divine commission, "To the poor the gospel is preached." Now, if ever, the needy and the suffering are our brothers and sisters. The plain spoken apostle who was our Lord's near of kin puts this among the heart searching questions: "If a brother or sister be naked and destitute of daily food and one of you say unto him, 'Depart in peace! Be ye warmed and filled!' Notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body—what doth it profit?"

"Peace on earth, good will toward men!" should be set to heart music and the daily life, throughout Christmas week at least, move in accordance with it. Let us accept as the prayer which consecrates us to the Christlike work the Quaker poet's inspired line: "Salvation from our selfishness."—Marion Harland.

Without a Guide.
"I went to Jonesboro to see my father and mother—the other day, Percy."
"By Jove! And how did you find them?"
"Oh, I knew where they lived."—Wisconsin State Journal.

FAMILY MEDICAL GUIDE GIVEN FREE TO SUBSCRIBERS

Prominent physicians have estimated that 68 per cent of the cases of sickness in America could be prevented if there was a more widespread knowledge of practical medicine.

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In the hopes that people will begin to see how important it is that they learn a little more about the ailments of the body, a practical medical guide is offered to all the readers of this paper Free of Cost. The name of this work is Dr. Miles' Family Medical Guide. It is a work that has been very carefully compiled. It has been written in very plain language, omitting, when not absolutely necessary, all technical words and phrases.

It tells how to recognize various ailments. It tells what to do before the doctor arrives, or if he does not arrive at all. It tells what to do and what not to do in case of accident. It gives a few practical laws of health. It tells of how to take care of the sick room, of what to eat, of how to care for infants and other important details.

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January 1st., 1916 will end our trying to do business only on a cash basis and begin collections.

Respy. yours

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Legal Advertising

STATE OF MICHIGAN, the probate court for the county of Livingston. At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the village of Howell in said County on the 10th day of December A. D. 1915.

Present: Hon. Eugene A. Stowe, Judge of Probate in the matter of the estate of

ELLEN A. DARWIN

Edith S. Darwin having filed in said court her petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine, adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is ordered That four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is further ordered, That the 10th day of Mar. A. D. 1916 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

EUGENE A. STOWE,
Judge of Probate.

Arrow Grazed Him.

"Jack, dear, have you ever loved before?" "Well—er—yes. But only in a small way."—Exchange.

The First Christmas Tree.

St. Winfred, who was in the eighth century a missionary to the Scandinavians, is said to have set up the first Christmas tree in the home. He tried to show the people that the Druid priests had made them worshippers of trees only and not of a living God, and on Christmas eve he cut down the great oak tree around which they had gathered to offer a human sacrifice. As it fell a young fir tree seemed to appear miraculously beyond it, and Winfred said to the people: "Here is a living tree with no stain of blood upon it that shall be the sign of your new worship. See how it points to the sky. Call it the tree of the Christ Child. Take it up and carry it to the chieftain's hall. You shall go no more into the shadow of the forest to keep your feasts with secret rites. You shall keep them at home, with laughter and song and rites of love. The thunder oak has fallen, and I think the day is coming when there shall not be a home where the children are not gathered around a green fir tree to rejoice in the birth of Christ."

Pay your subscription this month.

DO YOU BELONG?

If you like the old town best,
Tell them so!
If you'd have her lend the rest,
Help her grow!
When there's anything to do
Let the boys count on you.
You'll feel lully when its through
Don't you know!
If you want to make a hit
Get a name!
If the other fellow's it
Who's to blame?
Spend your money in the town,
Where you pull the shekels down:
Give the mail concern a frown—
That's the game!
If you're used to giving knocks,
Change your style!
Throw bouquets instead of rocks
For a while.
Let the other fellow roast.
Shun him as you would a ghost.
Meet his hammer with a boast
And a smile
When a stranger from afar
Comes along,
Tell him who and what we are—
Make it strong.
Needn't flatter, never bluff,
Tell the truth, for that's enough
Join the boosters—there're the stuff,
Let's belong.
The Clyde (N. Y.) Herald.

THE MISTLETOE.

With Christmas cheer the hall is bright,
At friendly feud with winter's cold;
There's many a merry game tonight
For maids and men, and young and old;
And winter sends for their delight
The holly with its crimson glow,
And paler than the glistening snow
The mistletoe, the mistletoe!
The mistletoe, the mistletoe!
The wan and wanton mistletoe!

Chance comes to our festal eyes,
Dear crimson breasted holly sprite!
Thee, Robin, too, the hall receives,
Unbidden, whom our hearts invite.
And, perched among the crumpled leaves,
He cocks his head and sings "Hullo!"
The mistletoe, the mistletoe
Hangs up above, but what's below?
Oh, what's below the mistletoe?
The mistletoe, the mistletoe!

A kindly custom sanctions bliss
That's ta'en beneath the wanton bough.
Who laughs so low? Why, here it is!
Look, Jenny, where I have you now!
Dear bashful eyes, sweet lips—a kiss!
Ah, cheeks can mock the holly's glow!
For what's below the mistletoe?
Ah, ha! Why, it is Cupid O!
Ah, ha! Below the mistletoe
'Tis Cupid O, 'tis Cupid O!
—Temple Bar.



Buy a Christmas Present

Which is useful. Don't forget that you can get what you want in Mens' wear including Mackinaws, work jackets, Goodrich Rubber Goods, Hats and caps, gloves, and Mittens at bargain prices at Monks Bros. Come at once while the assortment is good.

25c Will Buy at Monks Bros. Saturday

- 3 Molasses
- 4 pkgs soap
- 3 Post Cakes
- 4 1/2 Cranberries
- 4 pkgs corn starch
- 7 bars white flag soap

25c pkgs Bk Powder, crisco and Rolled Oats for 21c.

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The mild weather has compelled us to make sweeping reductions in Prices. In order to reduce our unusually large stock of Winter Goods quickly, we are going to give you the advantage of prices never before equaled at this season of the year.

Below we quote only a few of the many Bargains to be found at our store during the Holiday Sale.

Mens' Neckwear

Latest Designs	25c and 45c
Mens' Silk Hose	47c
Mens' \$1.00 Overshirts	89c
Mens' \$1.25 Kid Gloves	98c
Mens' Heavy Fleece Underwear	45c
Mens' Over Shirts	98c
Ladies' \$1.00 Union Suits	98c
Ladies' \$2.00 Union Suits	\$1.82
Ladies 50c Underwear	45c

Ladies' and Mens' Night Robes

Night Robes	92c
Robes	48c-92c
Ladies' Kid Gloves	92c

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Every Article in our Furniture Line will be sold at a reduction during our ten days sale

Blanket Special

100 pairs 64x80, cheap as \$1.25, Sale 98c. Do not forget that we are Headquarters for Mens' Light and Heavy Wear. Oranges, Gumpes, Cannedfruit Cans! Sale Starts Sat. Dec. 11—Closes Sat. Dec. 25th.

Shoe Specials

2800 pairs Ladies', Mens, Misses and Childrens, Boy's and Youths. 90 in this sale at greatly reduced prices.

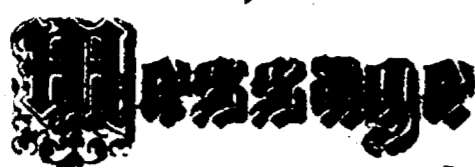
GROCERY SPECIALS

Can Salmon, Best Pink	10c
Can Peas, 3 for	25c
Berdan's 30c Coffee	27c
10 Bars Lenox Soap	25c
Best Raisins	10c
5 lbs. Rolled Oats	25c
25 lbs. H. & E. Sugar	\$1.68
Christmas Candies direct from New York, 20 Varieties, per lb.	10c

Dry Goods Flyer

All \$1.00 Corsets	90c
1000 yds Outing Flannels, per yd	7c
12c Dress Ginghams, per yd	10c
Apron Gingham	7c
Table Linen and Napkins at Special Reductions.	

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To Christmas' Shoppers

Do your shopping now and where you will get the best, new, up-to-date Goods at the lowest possible price and at the store where shopping is easy.

Our shelves are loaded down with merchandise of all kinds. Dry Goods, all new and up to date, Shoes and Rubbers, Gent's Furnishings you can't beat. A full and complete line of Jewellery, Watches, Clocks, Silverware, Toilet Sets—both Ivory and Silver—some beauties.

A Full Line of Groceries that are always fresh
Come in and look over our stock and you will find that you can save money on every purchase.

If you want a good Suit or Overcoat and want it to fit, come in and let us take your measure, and at the same time save from \$5 to \$8. We can prove it.

Goodnow & Gartrell

Howell - Michigan

The Store to Please. Produce taken in Exchange.

The Cruller Lamb.
 Our kitchen's nice round Christmas time!
 I can't see in th' great big pot;
 It's where th' crullers—they oom fum—
 An' what's inside is duffie hot!
 I musn't stand too near th' stove
 'Cause "spatters" might get on my dress.
 My mother thinks that things round there
 Would burn her little girl, I guess.
 An' so I stay real close to her
 When she puts aprons round her waist
 And rolls th' rings out on a board.
 Sometimes she lets me have a "taste."
 An' then, you see, I'm helpin' too.
 I help her 'member she mus' make
 A lot of little cruller lambs—
 I like that kind of Christmas cake!

Th' lamb when he goes in th' pot
 He's yellow, an' he looks all flat,
 But when they lift him out of it,
 W'y, he's all brown an' round an' fat!
 I have to wait till he's "cooled off";
 'Fore I can have my lamb to eat;
 An' mother, she puts "wool" on him
 Wif sugar—that's what makes him sweet.
 An' after when my father comes,
 I get a lamb for him to see;
 My mother laughs at how he does;
 She says he's "big a child as me."
 She don't like lambs in bed, I guess,
 But father says to let me keep
 It squeezed all tight up in my hands—
 An' that's th' way I went to sleep!
 —Marie Louise Tompkins in Harper's
 Weekly.

A Christmas School.
 Some of the very best dolls are made in Sonneburg, Germany, which has an academy of design.

This school was established in 1851, and its model room contains many excellent pieces of sculpture and rare old prints. Modeling dolls is no easy task, and it is remarkable what perfect figures the students of this school are able to turn out. Molds are made from the models and from these leaden patterns the heads, arms and legs are turned out, a special machine being used for stamping the hands. The factories, especially the kneading room, are hot and filled with steam, and for this reason the big, brawny Germans who knead the mixture wear as few clothes as possible while at work.

There are many beautiful stories associated with the origin of the first Christmas tree. One legend says that on the holy night all nature, even the animals and the trees, was rejoicing and that the cedars, instead of pointing their branches upward as pointed, slender trees, spread their branches wide to protect the mother and her new born child.

His Tact.
 "Dubwaite is not a brilliant conversationalist."
 "No. Still he has a certain amount of tact."
 "Yes?"
 "When there is a lull in the conversation he gets up and puts a new record on the phonograph."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Fasting at Christmas.
 When Cromwell ruled England he issued an edict against all festivities at Christmas. The festival was altogether abolished, and the display of holly and mistletoe and other emblems of the happy time held to be seditious.

In 1644 the Long parliament commanded that Christmas day should be observed as a strict fast, when all people should think over and deplore the great sin of which they and their forefathers had been guilty in making merry at that season.

This act so provoked the people that on the following natal day the law was violently resisted in many places. Though these scenes were disgraceful, they served their purpose and put an end to an unjust order.

When Charles II. regained the throne the populace once more made Christmas a time of rejoicing.

War Upon Pain!
 Pain is a visitor to every home and usually it comes quite unexpectedly. But you are prepared for every emergency if you keep a small bottle of Sloan's Liniment handy. It is the greatest pain killer ever discovered. Simply laid on the skin—no rubbing required—it drives the pain away. It is really wonderful.
 Mervin H. Solister, Berkeley, Cal., writes: "Last Saturday, after tramping around the Panama Exposition with wet feet, I came home with my neck so stiff that I couldn't turn. I applied Sloan's Liniment freely and went to bed. To my surprise, next morning the stiffness had almost disappeared, four hours after the second application I was as good as new."
 March, 1915. At Druggists, 25c.

He Could Hardly Wear His Clothes

Alvis Sowers, Age, Ind., endured terrible pains in his back and through his kidneys for eight years before he finally used Foley Kidney Pills. He says: "I would bloat up at times so that I could hardly wear my clothes. Excursions were scant and very red. Foley Kidney Pills were recommended to me, and the first box removed the pain and after taking only three boxes the bloating was all gone and has never bothered me since."
 Just about everybody who has used Foley Kidney Pills is anxious to recommend them. From every state in the Union come letters praising Foley Kidney Pills, because they so cure up and strengthen the kidneys that by their vigorous, healthy action all the ill results of acute, weak, ailing kidneys and irregular bladder action are lost in a return of health and vigor. Swollen, aching joints, and rheumatic pains quickly yield to their healing, curative qualities.

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Michaels Stern Suit or Overcoat

Ours is a great, complete stock, from which you can choose exactly what you want and at prices that are less than cities ask you. \$10 to \$25.

The Best Christmas Gifts For Boys



surely are Useful Gifts and there's nothing a boy appreciates more than "things to wear." It's a mighty good trait to encourage too.

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Many Children Have Worms
 Worms are a common childhood ailment. They make children irritable, nervous and restless, besides robbing the body and mind of proper nourishment. Watch your child. Examine the stools and at first signs of worms give your child a treatment of Kickapoo Worm Killer. They kill the worms, act as a laxative and expel the worms and poisonous waste. They restore the system and help restore child's health and happy disposition. Only 25c. at your Druggist.

Dante's Fierce Retort.
 The secret of Dante's struggle through life was in the reckless sarcasm of his answer to the Prince of Verona, who asked him how he could account for the fact that in the household of princes the court fool was in greater favor than the philosopher.
 "Similarity of mind," said the fierce genius, "is all the world over the source of friendship."

Christmas Clearing House

THE ferry houses and the railway stations of New York are transformed into human clearing houses the week before Christmas, for through them pass two steadily growing streams of human exchange, men, women and children going home for the holidays and men, women and children coming into town for the same purpose.
 "Merry Christmas!" and "Oh, mother, dear!" rise to the lips of the home comers, and "Merry Christmas!" and "Goodby, old chap; off to see the old folks!" echo from the equally smiling lips of those bound up state and elsewhere beyond the noise and rattle of the throbbing town.
 "Where are you going for Christmas?" asks the listless club lounge of his dinner neighbor.
 "Down Van Alstyne's way. The missis is going to open their country place."
 "Good! Guess I'll get a bid myself. Bright woman, Mrs. Van."
 And so Mrs. Van Alstyne fills her country place till the old year is rung out. There are bridge day and night, carols in the servants' quarters, a Christmas dinner cooked by an expert French chef, outdoor sports, dancing, luxury, ease and merry Christmas, the merriest that gold can buy.
 And over the ferrys and up the state a more quiet stream flows, girls who work and men who are winning-fame, all going home to make the old folks glad.—Anna Stevens Richardson.

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